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## INFORMATION REPORT

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1. [redacted] the number of RRY cars held in reserve in the RBD is 97. It is reported that some of these are held at the following stations:

Halle Personenbahnhof . . . . .	32 cars
Halle Nordgruppe . . . . .	11 "
Wittenberg . . . . .	7 "
Rosslau (Pionierpark) . . . . .	11 "
Neukieritzsch . . . . .	4 "
Altenburg . . . . .	1 "
Taucha near Leipzig . . . . .	2 "

The location of the others is not known.

2. Because of unsatisfactory carrying capacity (Durchlassfaehigkeit), it is planned to double-track the main line between Halle and Magdeburg. Similar measures are to be taken on the Dessau - Bitterfeld line although this is already double-tracked between Bitterfeld and Wolfen. Eventually both lines will be electrified. Preliminary work on the second track has already begun. The shortage of materials is presenting a problem because the Oberbaulager at Wittenberg can only supply old rails. Deliveries are, however, expected from the U.S.S.R. Approximately 100,000 wooden ties are available at Engelsdorf.
3. The number of freight locomotives in service in RBD Halle as of 1 March 1954 was 179, of which 53 were allocated to RBA Halle.
4. During the month of February, two tank car trains with a total of 68 cars, 704 tons, were dispatched from Boehlen to Velten [redacted]

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